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SUBJECT: CENSORSHIP OF NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE AND FOREIGN

-- MINISTRY SLAP AT CIA

REF: KABUL 6477

1. LAINGEN TOOK OPPORTUNITY LUNCHEON CONVERSATION WITH
DEPFONMIN ABDULLAH OCTOBER 10 TO EXPRESS REGRET OVER PUBLIC
FOREIGN MINISTRY SLAP AT CIA DESCRIBED REFTEL. SUBJECT
WAS RAISED DURING DISCUSSION OF OUR PLEASURE AT WARMTH
IN U.S.-AFGHAN RELATIONS AND REGARD WE HOLD FOR PRESIDENT
DAOUD. LAINGEN SAID THAT IT WAS ESPECIALLY IN THIS CON-
TEXT THAT WE REGRETTED "OUTRAGEOUS" FOREIGN MINISTRY
STATEMENT.

2. ABDULLAH RESPONDED THAT STATEMENT OBVIOUSLY WAS WITHOUT
REFERENCE TO SITUATION IN AFGHANISTAN AND SHOULD BE SEEN IN
CONTEXT RECENT PUBLIC REFERENCES TO AGENCY ROLE IN CHILE.

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ABDULLAH ALSO REFERRED VAGUELY TO UNNAMED "THIRDHAND"

SOMEHOW INVOLVED IN TRYING TO COMPLICATE U.S.-AFGHAN RELATIONS. LAINGEN NOTED THAT WHATEVER ITS MOTIVATION, PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THIS KIND WAS NOT HELPFUL TO OUR RELATIONS AND PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF IMPACT ON AFGHAN PUBLIC ATTITUDES.

3. SUBJECT ALSO RAISED DURING ABDULLAH'S CALL ON ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER OCTOBER 11. AFTER REVIEWING EXCELLENT STATE OUR PRESENT RELATIONSHIP, SOBER NOTED OUR REGRET OVER PUBLIC STATEMENT SUCH AS THAT BY MFA AND EXPRESSED HOPE WE WOULD HEAR NO MORE ON THIS SUBJECT. ABDULLAH SAID HE AGREED AND IMPLIED THAT MESSAGE HE HAD JUST SENT OFF TO KABUL WOULD HAVE THIS EFFECT. INGERSOLL

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